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Per our teleconference of today, attached is a preliminary amendment. If there are further questions, please let me know.

Respectfully,



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Total effective claims after amendment 16 minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

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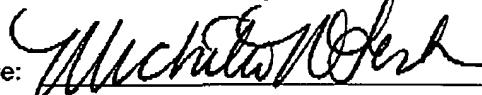
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before further action on the merits, and responsive to the Examiner's telephone request, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.